

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
November 27, 2001
3:30 p.m.**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Atkinson

B. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Leon G. Atkinson	Present
Commissioner Stephanie Lavino	Present
Commissioner Irving S. Ellsworth Vice-Mayor	Present
Commissioner Mary Maloof	Present
Commissioner Barbara Blush	Present

C. ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. Resolution – Modifying Employee 401A Pension Agreements –

After hearing the reading of this resolution authorizing modifications to the Employee 401A Pension Agreements and providing an effective date of December 1, 2001, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Lavino to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, vote was unanimous.

2. Resolution – Appointing Sandi Webb to Beautification Committee –

After hearing the reading of this resolution appointing Sandi Webb to the Beautification Committee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tom Baur, motion was made by Commissioner Blush and seconded by Commissioner Maloof to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, vote was unanimous.

3. Resolution – Granting License Agreement to Carol Ann Condo Hotel –

After hearing the reading of this resolution granting a license agreement for use of a public beach behind the Carol Ann Condo Hotel, motion was made by Commissioner Maloof and seconded by Commissioner Lavino to approve the resolution as read.

The City Manager indicated that the City Attorney needs to check the insurance and then the agreement would be ready to be signed.

Upon roll call, vote was unanimous.

4. Resolution – Authorizing City to Piggy Back on Madeira Beach's Gazebo Bid –

After hearing the reading of this resolution authorizing the City of Treasure Island to piggy back on the Madeira Beach Gazebo Bid and award a construction contract to Nachman Construction Company in an amount not to exceed \$34,425 for the construction of a city-owned visitors center gazebo and bus stop on 107th Avenue, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Lavino to approve the resolution as read.

The City Manager reported that the gazebo would be an enclosed air conditioned structure 10 x 20' in size and should be completed by March 15th, 2002.

Commissioner Blush asked if Mr. Nachman's bid is the low bid and explained that she had received a call from a concerned citizen about the cost of the gazebo.

The City Manager indicated that Mr. Nachman's bid is the low bid and the cost is consistent with the fact that it is an enclosed structure rather than an open air gazebo.

Upon roll call, vote was unanimous.

5. Resolution – Authorizing Purchase of Two GMC Envoys for Police Dept.–

After hearing the reading of this resolution authorizing the purchase of two GMC Envoys at a cost of \$29,600 per vehicle under state contract, motion was made by Commissioner Blush and seconded by Commissioner Maloof to approve the resolution as read.

Commissioner Blush indicated she went to the dealership and looked at the Envoy and it is a good vehicle.

The City Manager indicated that the new vehicles should be on the road within 60 days.

D. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that he attended a meeting with the City Manager, and Public Works Director with representatives of the County and D.O.T. earlier in the day to discuss the closure of 127 Avenue in connection with the reclaimed water project. He commended the City Manager and Public Works Director for their efforts to keep that street open.

The City Manager explained the backup problem that occurred with the closure of the street and the negative impact the closure would have on the neighborhood. The City Manager indicated that D.O.T. and the County have promised to have a better plan in place that would include full movement in the 127th intersection by Friday evening, November 30th.

Commissioner Lavino requested that she be included in any future meetings regarding that area since it is in her district.

Commissioner Maloof reported that Jeff Jensen needs a video tape of the ribbon cutting ceremony on October 20th and requested that anyone who might have footage or still pictures of the event contact the City Manager's office.

Commissioner Blush reported on the reclaimed water project in Sunset Beach.

Commissioner Blush read a portion of a complimentary e-mail received from Susan DiBona regarding the Beach Pavilion and its operation.

The Mayor commented regarding an article in the *St. Petersburg Times* regarding a drug sting that occurred in Treasure Island that involved employees of some of the local businesses. He noted that the article had been copied and e-mailed to several people and there have been many negative comments regarding the issue. He stated that he felt the article had been e-mailed to embarrass the business owners, primarily the owner of Gator's.

The Mayor stated that it is his opinion that the business owners should be commended rather than ridiculed since they requested the investigation and had been cooperative in the investigation.

E. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

The City Manager reported more fully on the drug sting and stated that the City Police Department appreciates the assistance received from the Sheriff's Department in such drug operations.

The City Manager reported that we have a verbal agreement to rent the causeway house for \$1,200 per month. He indicated that the two-year lease is scheduled to be signed on December 12th.

The City Manager reported that the cities of St. Petersburg and St. Pete Beach have reached an agreement on a new sewer treatment rate formula. He

indicated that the City of Treasure Island would be beginning its negotiations with St. Petersburg immediately.

The City Attorney reported on developments in the Lands End Lawsuit. He indicated that motions filed by the City and by Lands End had both been denied. He indicated that there could be other appellate proceedings forthcoming.

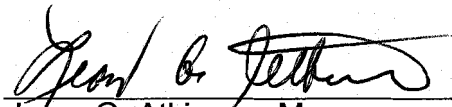
F. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

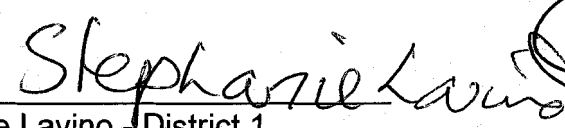
Ms. Clara Lee Selby commended the City Manager for his efforts to assure that the reclaimed water contractors clean up their work areas on weekends.

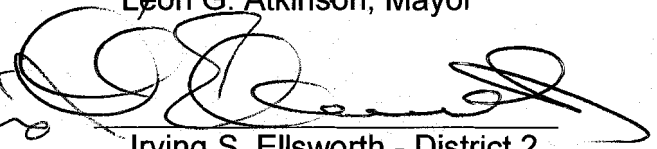
Ms. Selby asked if any donations have been received for the carillons and the Mayor indicated that none have been received so far.

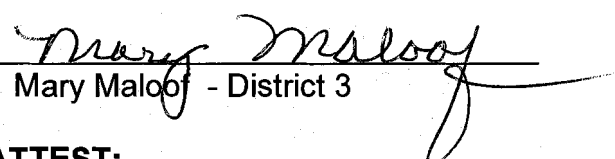
Ms. Selby asked if the City Attorney would prepare a legal petition to get a zip code for Treasure Island. After discussion, it was agreed that the City Attorney would prepare the petition.

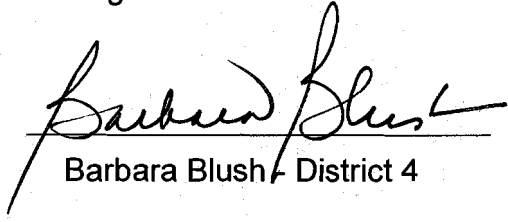
G. ADJOURNMENT:


Leon G. Atkinson, Mayor

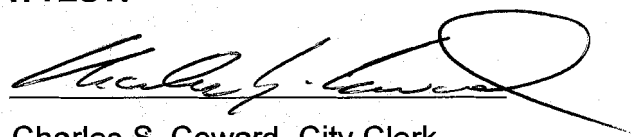

Stephanie Lavino - District 1


Irving S. Ellsworth - District 2


Mary Malool - District 3


Barbara Blush - District 4

ATTEST:


Charles S. Coward, City Clerk